

Clark County Coroner
1704 Pinto Lane
Las Vegas, NV 89106
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AUTOPSY REPORT

Case Number: [REDACTED]

October 4, 2017

POSTMORTEM EXAMINATION ON THE BODY OF



Date of death: October 2, 2017 at 0545 hours

Date of examination: October 4, 2017 at 0225 hours

IDENTIFICATION: The body is identified by a tag on the right great toe bearing the decedent's name and case number.

WITNESSES: Assisting is Forensic Technician Brieanna. There are no outside observers.

CLOTHING: The body is unclad when initially viewed. A pair of black sandals, a black bra, black underwear and a black dress accompanies the body.

EVIDENCE OF MEDICAL THERAPY: None.

EXTERNAL EXAMINATION

Injuries are described in a separate section below.

GENERAL: The body is that of a normally developed, well-nourished, [REDACTED] female appearing consistent with the listed age of [REDACTED] years. The length is 70 inches, and the weight is 155 pounds as received. The body is well preserved, cold, and has not been embalmed. Rigidity is fully developed in the jaw and extremities. Lividity is pink-purple, nonblanching, and in a posterior distribution.

HEAD: The scalp is covered with blonde hair measuring up to 10 inches on the top of the head. The ears are normally formed with bloody drainage. The earlobes are pierced. The irides are blue, the corneas are clear, and the bulbar and palpebral conjunctivae free of petechiae. The sclerae are white. The nose is intact, and the nares are unobstructed. The lips are normally formed. The teeth are natural and in good condition.

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NECK: The neck is symmetrical and without injury.

CHEST AND ABDOMEN: The chest is normally formed, symmetrical, and without palpable masses. The breasts are symmetrical, and without palpable masses.

The abdomen is flat and soft. No masses are palpable.

EXTERNAL GENITALIA: The atraumatic external genitalia are those of an adult female.

BACK: The back is straight and symmetrical. The anus is atraumatic.

ARMS: The arms are normally formed. No needle punctures, track marks, or ventral wrist scars are seen. The fingernails are trimmed short and painted black and white.

LEGS: The legs are normally formed and without edema, amputation, or deformity. The toenails are trimmed short and are painted gray.

BODY MARKINGS (SCARS AND TATTOOS): None identified.

EXTERNAL EVIDENCE OF INJURY

There is a penetrating gunshot wound to the head. Directions are stated with reference to standard anatomic positions.

PENETRATING GUNSHOT WOUND TO THE HEAD:

ENTRANCE: There is an entrance gunshot wound on the right side of the head. It is centered 2 inches below the top of the head and 3 inches right of midline. It is a 1/8 inch diameter circular defect with a 1/16 inch rim of abrasion. No soot or stippling is noted on the adjacent skin.

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PATH: The projectile enters the right side of the skull and fragments into multiple small pieces. There is injury to the brain and multiple skull fractures. There are bilateral periorbital ecchymoses and blood exuding from the ear canals.

DIRECTION: Right-to-left.

SPECIMENS RETAINED

TOXICOLOGY: Central blood and vitreous humor are retained for toxicology. Toxicological testing detected benzoylecgonine (300 ng/mL).


HISTOLOGY: No tissue is retained.

PHOTOGRAPHS: Digital identification photographs, overall external body photographs, and photographs of the gunshot wound are taken.

RADIOGRAPHS: Full body radiographs are taken and show multiple small metallic fragments of the head as well as multiple skull fractures.

CAUSE OF DEATH: This [REDACTED]-year-old [REDACTED] female, [REDACTED] died as a result of gunshot wound of head.

MANNER OF DEATH: HOMICIDE


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